REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for total consideration given the present application. Claims 1-10 were pending prior to the Office Action. Claims 1-9 have been canceled and new claims 11-13 have been amended through this Reply. Claim 10 is independent. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicant appreciates that claim 10 is indicated to be allowable.

NEW CLAIMS

Claims 11-13 have been added through this reply. Claims 11-13 depend from claim 10, directly or indirectly. Claims 11-13 correspond to subject matter originally defined in canceled claims 2, 3, and 4, respectively. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that the new claims 11-13 do not add any new matter to the application and they are not narrowing, and are not made for a reason relating to patentability. Therefore, claims 11-13 are believed to be distinguishable over the cited references, individually or in any combination. Applicant respectfully requests that claims 11-13 be allowed.

Conclusion

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that claims are allowable.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Michael R. Cammarata Reg. No. 39,491 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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